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Denis Prosperi, Chairman
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Madera Ranch Project Oversight Committee
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Dear Denis and Michele:

Thank you for your letter of May 25, 1999. We appreciated the opportunity to hear your perspective on the Madera Ranch project during our April meeting. We understand your concerns regarding conjunctive use and groundwater banking and recognize the need for stakeholder involvement during the development of these projects.

We are encouraged by your willingness to pursue groundwater projects in Madera County. We are hopeful that CALFED funds will be available in fiscal year 2000 to support conjunctive use projects and studies. The CALFED Conjunctive Use Advisory Team is in the process of developing criteria that would be used to prioritize and select projects for funding. We anticipate that a Request for Proposals will be mailed to interested parties this summer, and we would be happy to include you on the mailing list. Anthony Saracino chairs the Advisory Committee and can be reached at (916) 688-5807 if you have any questions.

Thank you for your interest in conjunctive use and I look forward to hearing about your progress in Madera County.

Sincerely,

Lester A. Snow
Executive Director

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